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SUBJECT: Public invited to participate in police community assessment

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Public invited to participate in police community assessment

The Duluth Task Force for Improved Community Police Accountability is pleased to announce that Eileen Luna-Firebaugh will be in Duluth on March 17 -20 to initiate a community assessment for developing the most effective civilian review process for the Duluth Police Department.

Luna-Firebaugh is a University of Arizona Professor of American Indian Law and Policy and a consultant on civilian oversight of law enforcement and police accountability systems.

During her visit, Luna-Firebaugh will be meeting with community members, police officers, and government officials. The entire community is invited to share perspectives on community - police relations in Duluth in a variety of ways.

Prof. Luna-Firebaugh can be contacted at: (520) 907-4741 or EileenMLuna@aol.com.

You can contact her to share your perspective or request a survey to fill out. You can also request an appointment to meet with her this week and share your perspective in person.

This visit and the community assessment survey is made possible with support from the Northland Foundation, the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, and the Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation. Additional support is provided by the Duluth Police Department and the YWCA of Duluth.

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